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### RTPO Technical Advisory Committee Monday, December 2, 2019

**Members present**: Louis Agresta, Brad Bodenmiller, Tyler Bumbalough, Scott Coleman, Steve McCall, Tim Notestine, Regina Rollins, Scott Schmid

**Absent member:** Tam Blakely, Gary Ledford, Ben Wiltheiss

**Guests present**: Doug Crabill, City of Urbana; Michelle Caserta-Bixler, Catholic Social Services; Michael Kerns, Logan County Engineer's Office

The Technical Advisory Committee was called to order at 9:33 am by Tyler Bumbalough.

#### **New Business:**

- 1. Welcome and Introductions were completed.
- 2. September 9, 2019 Meeting Minutes
  - Steve McCall moved a motion to accept the minutes as written and Scott Coleman seconded. All in favor.
- 3. Planning Work Program Update
  - o Scott Schmid reported on this item. The PWP is a rolling item from agenda to agenda. It looks like we're close to using the carry-forward by December 31st. The majority of this went to the task item for Burgess & Niple and also TIP development and short-range planning. We'll request a budget amendment at next week's LUC Executive Committee meeting and try to get any remaining monies moved so they can be spent. The only remaining item for this year is the TIP and task order work for Burgess & Niple. We'll have a draft PWP for the next TAC meeting. If there are regional items you'd like to see included for the region, please send those to us. The State Fiscal Year is from July 1 to June 31. Budgets are typically sent by ODOT mid-December and those amounts are typically \$98,000. The majority of work for updating the Transportation Plan will be Fall of 2020, this is an item we have on our to do list for the next Fiscal Year.
- 4. FY2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program
  - Scott Schmid reported on this item. The STIP is the 4-year document of programmed projects and Rural Consultation reports on this as part of public involvement for programmed projects for the following year; it's not a plan, but list of programmed projects. We pull from the STIP and the TIP from Ellis to make sure folks are getting what they are needing. ODOT



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skipped a year and this will be the first time TCC has done this for LUC. If there's something you'd like to see, let us know. There will be a public involvement draft for review at the March TAC. Scott shared the Ohio RTPO TIP Development Checklist, which is what is required in the RTIP.

O Discussion occurred regarding how to do the public involvement portion. Scott Coleman liked the idea of having one in each County, but was OK with the RTIP at either city or West Liberty split. The 4:00 PM-6:00 PM window sounded good. Michelle Caserta-Bixler offered to help with transportation if they got a date and could also work with RTC if someone scheduled a trip.

### 5. Project Updates

- o Urbana
  - Urbana Pre-K-8 Signal Study
    - Scott Schmid reported this study is complete.
    - Doug Crabill reported. The City is satisfied with the cost estimate and timing. Because funding is not available, they plan to work with the School District to split the \$10K cost.
  - Miami Street and North Main Street Trail Crossing Study
    - Doug Crabill reported. The actual planning work was through ODOT's safety program, separate from RTPO. This would involve flashing beacons and better crossing visibility at Miami St and moving the North Main St crossing north.
    - Louis Agresta reported WESTCO is doing a project at North Main Street next year. WESTCO wouldn't pay for it, but it may be cheaper to do while the contractor is there.
  - DriveOhio Partnership Program
    - Tyler Bumbalough stated the problem statement is still be developed. Planning to start small and identify partners.
- Bellefontaine
  - 47 and Dowell Avenue crossing
    - Tim Notestine reported we've not done anything here yet, but thought TCC might be able to help with restriping.
    - Scott Schmid stated let us know if there is something the RTPO can do to help keep things moving. TCC could help with a safety submittal by March.
  - Travel Center at 540
    - Scott Coleman reported there is a likely Travel Center at 540. The developer is doing a traffic impact study with ODOT.
    - Tim Notestine will send some plans to TCC to check-out.
  - Street Opposite Columbus Ave at 47



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- Tim Notestine reported this street is being developed. It is near the buildings occupied by NEX. There's been \$400,000 earmarked from ODOD.
- o Logan County
  - Indian Lake Study
    - Scott Schmid reported. B&N has not identified capacity concerns. Safety analysis also completed; not significant crash pattern. 33 and Sunnyside had some crashes they can work through. They have some solution suggestions.
    - Any potential roundabout would have conceptual layout and costs. Public comments would be what people are wanting to see come out of it. Will weigh TEC summer counts from the other study previously done with what B&N has.
  - Smart Corridor Extension
    - Scott Coleman is getting a summary together for an intersection. Would like to get a short narrative of this. The next call is the 11<sup>th</sup>.
    - Scott Schmid reported. TCC will looking-into Statewide Planning Research (SPR) dollars. The due date is in January and we are getting close for this cycle. Louis Agresta did not get funded for an Economic Study for Miami Valley; it doesn't hurt to apply, but you might get turned-down. The idea is it is research and you have to explain what you are getting out of the study that can be applied Statewide.
  - West Liberty Bridge
    - Louis Agresta asked about a bridge in West Liberty. They need a champion to get it submitted and done. He would be willing to help put the application together for submittal.
    - Scott Coleman will try to find a point person.
- Champaign County
  - Safety Plan
    - Steve McCall reported this was just developed.
  - 68 and 31 study
    - Discussion occurred regarding this topic. There are a lot of signalization and R-cuts suggested. Right turn only lanes in order to get back around. There may be opportunity in pursuing funding as a freight corridor instead of for safety funding.
- 6. Mobility Management and Transit Updates



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Michelle Caserta-Bixler reported for Champaign County. She stated the Human Services & Transportation Plan has been approved.

#### 7. Next Meeting

Discussion occurred regarding future meetings. The next scheduled meeting is March 2, 2020. If Consolidated Care/TCN is unavailable, the group was OK with rotating between the Bellefontaine and Urbana municipal buildings. Dates for 2020 will be March 2, June 1, September 14<sup>th</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday), and December 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### 8. Other

O Doug is interested in another study for the PWP—wherever it makes sense—at 68 and 55. This would be a potential roundabout and would include corridors coming-into that route. Scott Schmid will look at the current carry-forward.

**Adjourn:** Steve McCall moved a motion to adjourn the RTPO Technical Advisory Committee meeting and Scott Coleman seconded. All in favor.

**Next Meeting:** The next scheduled meeting will be March 2, 2020, at Consolidated Care/TCN (possibly another location), 9:30 am.